# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CIVIL AVIATION
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1125
ANSWERED ON:30.07.2001
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT PORT BLAIR
CHANDRA VIJAY SINGH

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether there is a proposal for setting up an International Airport at Port Blair in Andaman and NicobarIslands the place of tourist attraction;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a):- No, Sir.

(b) & (c):- Airports Authority of India (AAI) maintains a Civil Enclave at Port Blair airport. AAI has recently constructeda new terminal building to cater for 400 passengers at the cost of 19.83 crores. The work for extension of runway to 11,000 feet by the Andaman & Nicobar Administration is in progress and is likely to be completed by March, 2002. These facilities are considered adequate to cater to the traffic demand expected.